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Title:	Thermal Tolerant Cellulase From	)	Atty. Dkt. No.: NREL 01-37
	<i>Acidothermus cellulolyticus</i>	)	

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed 4/14/05, which rejected the claims in the above-identified patent application, applicants respectfully request reconsideration, based upon the amendments hereinafter set forth.